

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE:

Reject Bid and Authorize Readvertisement for Bids for White Slough Water Pollution

Control Facility Sludge Lagoon Biosoild Removal

MEETING DATE:

September 3, 1997

PREPARED BY:

Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution rejecting the bid for the

above project and authorize readvertising for bids.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This project is to provide pumping service to remove biosolids from the two sludge lagoons in the City's White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility (WSWPCF) into a nearby open field. The City does

not have the proper equipment to do this work.

Plans and specifications for this project were approved on August 6, 1997. This project was bid as a Public Works project per Government Code and the bid was opened on August 20, 1997. The City received only one bid, from DK Environmental of Martinez, in the amount of \$79,948. This bid is well over the project estimate of \$25,000. In doing further checking, the reason for the high bid is mainly due to the Class A license requirement imposed by the Public Works bidding process.

Staff has consulted with the City Attorney and is recommending the project be rebid without the Class A license requirement. Most lagoon cleaning companies do not have a Class A license. This type of work is exempted from the State Contractor's License Board. By bidding the work as a service contract, we should be able to obtain prices more in line with the budget.

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RESOLUTION NO. 97-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL REJECTING BID FOR WHITE SLOUGH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY SLUDGE LAGOON BIOSOLID REMOVAL AND AUTHORIZING READVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

WHEREAS, in answer to notice duly published in accordance with law and the order of this City Council, sealed bids were received and publicly opened on August 20, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. for White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility Sludge Lagoon Biosolid Removal, described in the specifications therefor approved by the City Council in August 6, 1997; and

WHEREAS, said bids have been compared, checked, and tabulated and a report thereof filed with the City Manager as follows:

Bidder Bid Amount

Engineer's Estimate \$25,000.00
DK Environmental, Martinez \$79,948.00

WHEREAS, this project was bid as a Public Works project per Government Code, and also required a Class A license requirement imposed by the Public Works bidding process; and

WHEREAS, staff has consulted with the City Attorney and the State Contractors License Board and is recommending the project be rebid without the Class A license requirement; and

WHEREAS, the sole bid received was well in excess of the project estimate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lodi City Council that the bid from DK Environmental of Martinez, CA is hereby rejected and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lodi City Council that this project is authorized to be readvertised for bid without the Class A license requirement.

Dated: September 3, 1997

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 97-127 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held September 3, 1997 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members -

NOES: Council Members -

ABSENT: Council Members -

ABSTAIN: Council Members -

ALICE M. REIMCHE City Clerk